SENATE MEMORIAL 32

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INTRODUCED BY

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 20, 2023 "NEW MEXICO ATHLETIC TRAINER DAY" IN THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care services for athletes and those engaged in physical activity; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers are educated through a nationally regulated educational process to provide comprehensive health care in five domains of clinical practice; and

WHEREAS, the five domains of clinical practice of athletic training include: illness and injury prevention and wellness promotion; examination, assessment and diagnosis; immediate and emergency care; therapeutic interventions; and health care administration and professional responsibility; and

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WHEREAS, athletic trainers must pass a national board certification examination and are licensed in forty-nine states, including New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the national athletic trainers' association represents and supports forty-five thousand members of the athletic training profession, including two hundred eight athletic trainers in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainers are employed in a variety of settings, including professional sports organizations, colleges and universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, performing arts centers, corporate and industrial settings and all branches of the United States military; and

WHEREAS, leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have united in a common commitment to raise public awareness of the importance of the profession of athletic training and the role of athletic trainers in the provision of quality health care services; and

WHEREAS, the national athletic trainers' association sponsors national athletic training month every March; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the senate to promote improved health care for athletes and all of those who engage in physical activity, including those participating in the annual legislative basketball game;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE

OF NEW MEXICO that February 20, 2023 be declared "New Mexico

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Athletic Trainer Day" in the senate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the New Mexico athletic trainers' association and the national athletic trainers' association.

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